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SUBJECT: CONSULAR CONVENTION

REF: STATE 32401 AND 27906

1. ALTERNATIVES PRESENTLY SEEN BY DEPT FOR CEREMONIAL SIGNATURE OF CONSULAR CONVENTION ARE (A) IN WASHINGTON DURING POPOV TRIP OR (B) IN SOFIA BY AMBASSADOR HERZ DURING POSSIBLE DENT VISIT.

2. CHOICE BETWEEN ALTERNATIVES DEPENDS IN PART ON GOB DESIRES RE TIMING AND OBJECTIVES OF POPOV TRIP. WE WOULD NOT WISH UNDULY DELAY SIGNATURE OF CONVENTION PENDING CLARIFICATION OF POPOV TRIP, NOR WOULD WE PROPOSE SIGNATURE IN SOFIA IF THIS WOULD BE TAKEN BY GOB AS MOVE DEPRIVE POPOV VISIT OF SUBSTANCE.

3. EMB. VIEWS REQUESTED ABOVE TWO ALTERNATIVES. HOWEVER, UNTIL DENT VISIT TO BULGARIA FIRM EMB SHOULD NOT INFORM GOB WE CONTEMPLATING POSSIBLE SIGNATURE IN SOFIA DURING LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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DENT VISIT. EMB ALSO ADVISED THAT ONCE GOB AGREEMENT

TO TEXT REVISIONS OBTAINED, SOME TIME NEEDED PREPARE
FOR SIGNATURE.

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